

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3258

To amend title 11 of the United States Code to make debts to governmental units for the care and maintenance of minor children nondischargeable.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 8, 1999

Mr. SMITH of Michigan introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend title 11 of the United States Code to make debts to governmental units for the care and maintenance of minor children nondischargeable.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Parental Responsibility
5 and Taxpayer Protection Amendment of 1999”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT.**

7 Section 523(a) of title 11, United States Code, is
8 amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (17) by striking “or” at the
10 end,

1 (2) in paragraph (18) by striking the period at
2 the end and inserting “; or”, and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(19) to a governmental unit for a cost in-
5 curred for the care or maintenance of a minor child
6 of the debtor.”.

7 **SEC. 3. APPLICABILITY OF AMENDMENT.**

8 The amendment made by section 2 shall not apply
9 with respect to cases commenced under title 11 of the
10 United States Code before the date of the enactment of
11 this Act.

○